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1. MOST RECENT PUBLIC EXPRESSION OF ALGERIA'S LONG-
STANDING OPPOSITION TO GKR AND SUPPORT FOR SIHANOUK AND
GRUNK WAS FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENE'S
APRIL 16 SPEECH IN CUBA: QUOTE AS YESTERDAY IN VIETNAM,
TODAY IN CAMBODIA NORTH AMERICAN FORCES AND THE COUNTER-
REVOLUTIONARY USURPERS ARE FALLING BEFORE VICTORIOUS
ASSAULT OF KHMER RESISTANCE. AS FOR ALGERIA, WE WILL

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SPARE NO EFFORT INGIVING OUR FULL SUPPORT TO FORCES OF

FUNK AND GOVERNMENT OF PRINCE SIHANOUK, CONVINCED THAT WE ARE AIDING A JUST CAUSE. THERE WILL BE NO PEACE UNTIL DAY THAT PEOPLES OF INDOCHINA CAN EXERCISE THEIR SOVEREIGNTY IN FREEDOM REGAINED BY COMBAT AND FREE OF ALL FOREIGN INTERVENTION. UNQUOTE.

2. ALGERIA HAS ALSO USED ITS INFLUENCE CONSISTENTLY TO SECURE GREATER INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF GRUNK. GOA WAS LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR SEATING SIHANOUK AS FULL MEMBER OF NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT IN SEPTEMBER 1973 AND FOR SUMMIT RESOLUTION CALLING ON ALL NATIONS TO RECOGNIZE GRUNK AS SOLE LEGAL GOVERNMENT OF CAMBODIA AND DEMANDING U.S. CEASE AGGRESSION AND INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL CAMBODIA AFFAIRS. MORE RECENTLY NON-ALIGNED BUREAU MEETING IN ALGIERS MARCH 19-21 AGREED ON "NECESSITY TO SUPPORT RECOGNITION OF LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF GRUNK IN UN." MALAYSIA, AS MEMBER OF BUREAU, AT LEAST ACQUIESCED IN THIS LANGUAGE WHICH WAS PROBABLY SPONSORED BY GOA. GRUNK ALSO HAS EMBASSY AND RESIDENT AMBASSADOR IN ALGIERS.

3. UNFORTUNATELY ALGERIANS HAVE BECOME VICTIMS OF THEIR OWN PROPAGANDA AND UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, WE FRANKLY DOUBT THAT ANY GKR DELEGATION WOULD BE RECEIVED IN ALGERIA. IT WOULD ALSO BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE FOR US TO PLEAD GKR CASE HERE SINCE THIS WOULD ONLY SERVE TO CONFIRM ALGERIAN BELIEF THAT IT IS US PUPPET REGIME.

4. IN OUR VIEW, MALAYSIANS, INDONESIANS, AND OTHERS WHO MAY BE ASKED TOPRESENT GKR CASE TO ALGERIANS SHOULD FOCUS ON ITS VIABILITY AS INDEPENDENT AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT WHOSE CHANCES OF SURVIVAL AND EVEN VICTORY ARE GOOD, OR AT LEAST 50-50. ALSO, ANYTHING GKR MIGHT DO TO PROMOTE FAVORABLE REPORTING BY FRENCH DAILY LE MONDE WOULD HELP ITS CAUSE HERE.

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